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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HULSE et al.

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Serial No. 08/853,422

Examiner: G. Dawson

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For: OBSTETRICAL VACUUM

EXTRACTOR CUP WITH SOFT

MOLDED LIP

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 9, 1998, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 16, and 17 as follows:

1. (Amended) An obstetrical vacuum extractor for placement on a child's head for use during childbirth, the obstetrical vacuum extractor comprising, in combination,

a vacuum cup formed of a first material, the vacuum cup having a side wall defining a hollow interior cavity, the side wall having a side wall edge forming a cup opening, the vacuum cup further including a vacuum opening communicating with the interior cavity of the vacuum cup and being adapted for connection to a vacuum source;

a lip formed of a polymeric second material, the second material being flexible relative to the first material,

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